

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 144

By Faulk

A RESOLUTION to recognize Wayne and Betty Shirley for their meritorious service to the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary generosity, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, two such exemplary individuals are Wayne and Betty Shirley of Grainger County, who have given generously to help needy people in Grainger County; and

WHEREAS, the Shirleys recently donated \$1 million to make home ownership possible for as many as forty-five Grainger County families during the next few years; and

WHEREAS, friends of the Shirleys describe them as a couple who enjoys helping others without getting personal recognition, similar to the selfless Good Samaritan in the Bible; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Grainger has been so influential in Grainger County that the Bean Station Community Club now gives an award to the person in the county who helps others without receiving anything; this award is called the "Wayne Shirley Good Samaritan Award;" and

WHEREAS, Wayne and Betty Shirley exemplify the spirit of community and compassion that distinguishes them as extraordinary leaders and highly valued citizens, and they should be honored for their many contributions; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and recognize Wayne and Betty Shirley of Grainger County for their meritorious service to the State of Tennessee and its citizens and extend to them our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.